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DATED 9-5-24

[Despatch Abstract.]

Education - Opening Botany Class - Municipal High School. Bellary - Vetoed.

From

Rao Bahadur

M. Gopalasami Mudaliar

BELLARY,

Dated 6-2-24 192

High Court Vakil,
Public Prosecutor,
President, District Board.

To,

The Chairman,
Municipal Council,
Bellary.

03693

Sir,

In regard to the subject - of opening a Botany class in the Municipal High school discussed on the evening of the 5th instant Mr: J.P.Cotelingam moved it is not desirable to open one as Bellary is a dry district and the garden available is not suitable for the purpose. I seconded the motion and pointed out that apart from those

those reasons urged, there are other reasons why it is not desirable to open a Botany class

(1) The garden proposed is far away from the school premises.

(2) There is no adequate room available in the school for a lecture hall as pointed out by the District Educational Officer and that any make shift arrange-ment in an old and ill suited building will not mend matters.

(3) The garden proposed is a public garden meant for public use and is being so used for generations. It cannot be usurped and taken away from the public and be converted into a Botany class.

(4) The well and garden are being utilised by those who come & occupy the Prince of Wales' choultry from whom rents are also collected by the Municipality. That the well and the garden should now be taken over by the High school to the detriment of the travellers and the public in general is most undesirable. The need for a Botany class may be urged and got sanctioned when a High school of our own is constructed and a little garden is raised in the com-pound.

Several of the councillors agreed with our views. The subject was voted upon as if this is a subject

subject for vote and it was passed by a small majority. As you said that you will not record our dissent and briefly the reasons therefor. I am now sending this minute of dissent for being forwarded along with the resolution to the authorities concerned As the Government is bearing its net cost, it is desirable that it should know that the subject does not com-mand itself to all and the reasons therefor. Feeling the full respon-sibility of my position I deem it my duty to bring this to the attention of the authorities concerned. I have sent copies of this dissenting minute to the District Educational Officer,

the Director of Public Instruction and the Government.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. Gopalaswamy Mudaliar

a Councillor

Copy to the Secretary to Govern-
-ment, Local Self Government
Department, Fort Saint George,

MADRAS.

BELLARY,
15th February 1924.

To

The Secretary,

Local Self Government,
Fort Saint George,
MADRAS.

01693 *Most Honored & Respected Sir,*

We, the undersigned residents of Bellary respectfully beg to inform the authorities concerned that the Garden attached to the **Prince of Wales' Choultry** at Bellary was raised by public subscriptions in 1877 in Memory of the visit of late **Edward VII Prince of Wales** to this Presidency along with the Choultry. It is being used by us as a place of resort in the evenings for fresh air and as a common-ground to meet each other. It was all along being maintained by public subscriptions. It has also a well which at times of scarcity like the present is being used by the public. The late Mr. G. Narayana Chetty who was Huzur Cash-keeper started this Garden and after his demise in 1901, his nephew Mr. G. Venkatachelam Chetty has been exerting his best to maintain it till this day. The travellers who resort to the Prince of Wales' Choultry also use this Garden and the well. The well is the only source of water supply to them in times of scarcity. The large number of public both men, women and children, who resort to the Mainwarring Tank closeby when it contains water, use also this Garden as a resting place. To deprive the public of a Garden which has been all along in the use of the public, and transfer it to the School for the use of a Botanical Class, we humbly submit, is unjust and is detrimental to the health of the town. Such a Garden is sought to be closed to the public and reserved by the Municipality for a Botanical Class for Students. The Garden is also used by various Hindu communities for the performance of funeral obsequies in the mornings.

We pray that the Garden which has been long reserved for public use may not now be closed to them. The Municipality in whom the Garden is vested only for supervision has no power to convert it to any such purpose. The Municipality is incurring great odium in depriving the right of the public to the use of the Garden and the well therein and ordering its use otherwise. We request the authorities not to sanction the proposal of the Municipality and thus come to our rescue in maintaining intact the only oasis in the parched up town of ours.

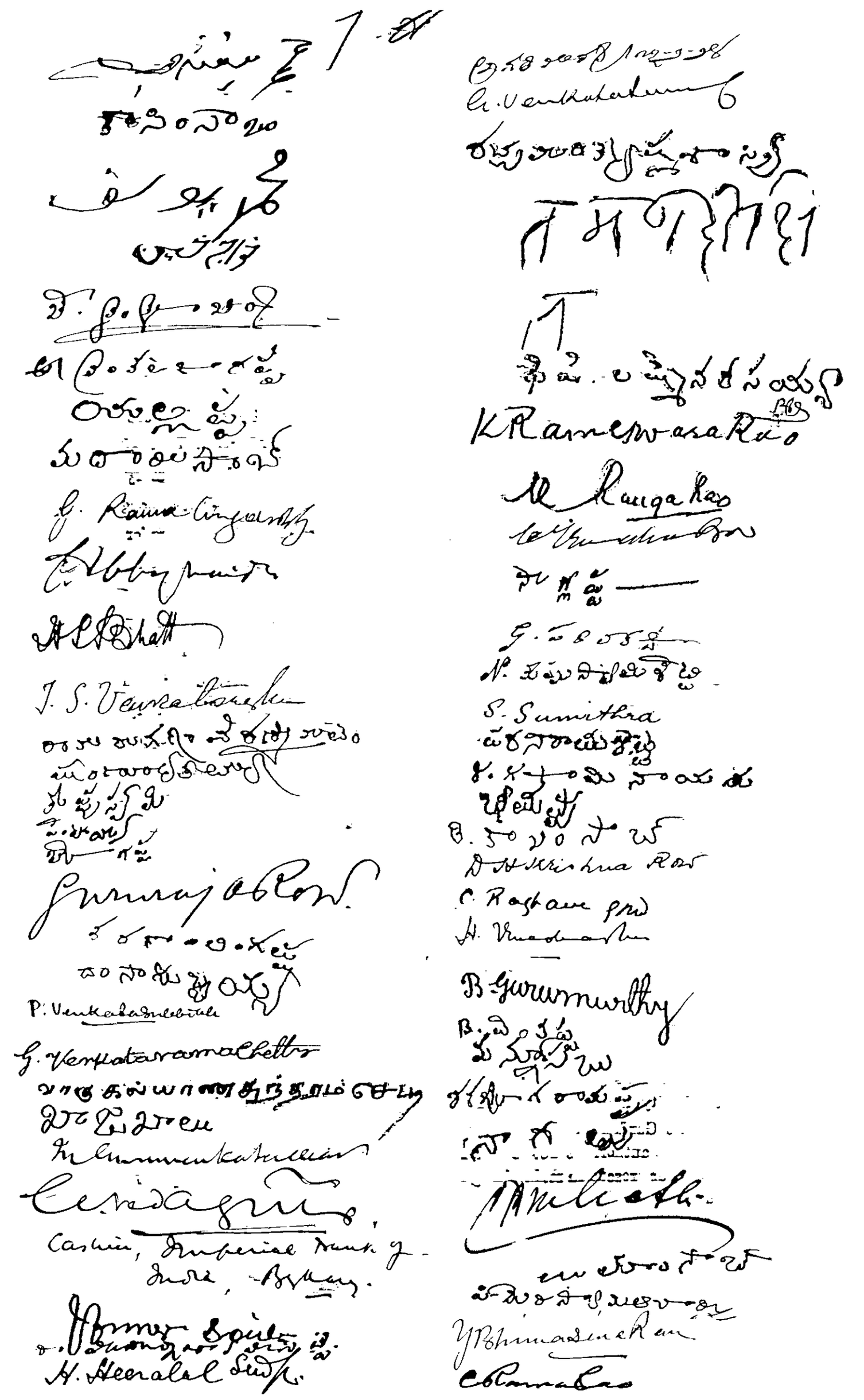
Your Memorialists beg to remain,
Most Honored and respected Sir,
Your most obedient Servants,

K. Venkata Chelam

G. Venkatagopal chetty

M. Yousuf Baig

D. Nagarajulu



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DEPARTMENT.

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Subject.

Regarding the opening of Botany Section in the Municipal High School, Bellary.

Memorandum 5289-1 Lem 9/26.2.24 L.S.G. Deptt

Referred to the D. P. I. for remarks

26.2.24 by order

To the D. P. I. (with original to be returned with reply)

V. Raghavachandra Murthy
asst. secretary.

ENCLOSURES.
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No. Before G. C141 22-2-24

Station Bellary, *Dated the* 19th February 1924.

From (Name) M.R.Ry. N. Narayana Rao Garu, B.A., B.L., F.M.U.,

(Designation) Chairman, Municipal Council.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Local Self Government Department.

Madras.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that the Municipal Council has, in its resolution No. 14 passed at its meeting held on the 5th instt resolved to add from the reopening of the school in June 1924 the Botany group in the Municipal High School as one of the subjects to be taken up by the S.S.L.C., students. The proposal to add the said subject originated from the Head Master, and has been approved of by Mr. Ransford, an experienced District Educational Officer, and has subsequently been adopted by the Municipal Council. The resolution has been carried by majority.

Mr. Ransford has personally satisfied himself as to the suitability of the garden for the purposes of the Botany section and after making personal inspection of the garden, -

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has approved of the said proposal. In his own language it is considered to be a godsend for Bellary and it is so looked upon by the student public as well as by the educated gentry of the place except a few.

Subsequent to the date of the meeting I have received a dissenting minute from Mr. Rao Bahadur M. Gopalaswami Modaliar my predecessor in office and a copy of the memorial from some citizens submitted directly to the Government protesting against the action of the Council.

The allegations in the dissenting minute as well as those in the memorial are almost all identical. The allegations are all incorrect and the garden is not, as a matter of fact, open to the public as it is always kept under look and key by the Manager Mr. G. Venkatachalamchetty. The garden belongs to the Municipality and it is a well known fact that it has not been accessible to the public and that so far as my experience of 20 years of Bellary goes, it has very rarely been used by the public. It is even now kept in a very neglected condition and I am sure, if it is made available for the Botany Section, it will be greatly improved.

The well in the garden is no doubt used by few people but it is not the sole source of water supply for the strangers sojourning in the Queen's Choultry. They resort to the Mainwarring tank which is only 10 yards distant from the Choultry.

I am surprised to learn that the Manager has allowed the garden for the performance of funeral ceremonies. On this ground alone the garden deserves to be taken over from the management of the present Manager to be utilised for better purposes. The present Manager has off and on been preferring claims to the garden and the well situated therein, as his own property and it can easily be conceived if a garden - in name - allowed for the performance of funeral ceremonies, can ever be thought of by the public as a place of recreation.

In 1917, on accounts of complaints received against the inaccessibility of the garden to the public, Mr. Siva Rao, the then Chairman had ordered the present Manager who was Manager then also, to be removed from its managements but subsequently allowed him to continue in management on an assurance given by him. The whole correspondence is annexed hereto.

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It has no where been said that with the opening of the Botany section, the public will ever be deprived of the use of the garden as well as the well.

I can only conclude that the dissenting minute as well as the memorial have emenated more from some personal grounds than in public interests and I trust they will not stand in the way of Government kindly approving of the action of the Council and according sanction to open the section from June 1924.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Narayana Rau

Chairman, M.C.

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Copy of the order dated 16-12-1917 by Mr. P. Siva Rao who was then the Chairman, Municipal Council, Bellary:-

From my personal inspection I find that the garden is almost always under lock and key. The public cannot get access to it. The present Manager Mr. G. Venkatachalamchetty has not shown any disposition to make it accessible to the public at all reasonable times of the day. As it is, the public are not deriving any benefit out of it. The distribution of flowers to some chosen can never be considered as public use. Under the circumstances, I am constrained to discontinue the service of the gardener in the Municipal employ. Katteppa the watch man of the Prince of Wales Choultry is directed not to help in the drawing of the water for the garden. Mr. G. Venkatachallamchetty persists in in unauthorizedly occupying a room in the Choultry in spite of the repeated warnings of the Chairman. He should be asked to vacate it within \ days; ~~thet~~ otherwise steps will be taken by the Municipal staff to resume possession of the room in question. It is highly desirable to remove Mr. G. Venkatachalamchetty from the Managership of the garden in question. The matter will be placed before the next Council meeting for necessary action.

Copy of the letter dated 26-12-1917 from Mr. G.Venkatachalamchetty to the Chairman, Municipal Council, Bellary:-

I beg to state that the Prince of Wales Choultry Garden will be made accessible to the public at all reasonable hours.

Begging to be excused.

Copy of the order dated 26-12-1917 of the Chairman (Mr. P. Siva Rao) on the above petition.

This is enough assurance for the undersigned. The previous orders are hereby revoked. The gardener will continue to be paid out of Municipal funds as heretofore. The watch man of the Prince of Wales Choultry will continue to help in the drawing of water as before Mr. G. Venkatachalamchetty will be allowed the use of the room in the Choultry for storing implements, pots, ropes etc., connected with the garden.

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Copy of the note dated 27-11-1917 by Mr. P. Siva Rao, the then Chairman, Municipal Council, Bellary:-

The public are not deriving any benefit from the garden as at present. In all this correspondence Mr. G. Venkatachalam Chetty has not replied as to whether he was ready and willing to throw the garden open for use of the public for recreation purposes at all reasonable times of the day.

(True copy)

Narayana Rau
Chairman, M.C.
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L.S.G Deptt

C no 5289.

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Dr 26/2

Memo 5289-2 Lrm dt 26.2.24

Opening of Botany section Municipal High school, Bellary.

Letter from C.M.C. Ref on G.C 141 dt 19.2.24

Referred to the D.P.S. for remarks on 26/2

The Chairman is requested to submit at an early date a copy of the Council's resolution No. 14 dated 5.2.24.

To

The C.M.C. Bellary (Ord)

26.2.24

C.F. 29—5,000—17-12-23.

DEPARTMENT.

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Received ... 192 . Registered ... 192 .

Subject.

Forwarding the Council's resolution No. 1+ dated 5th February 192+.

L.S.G.

Memo 6049-1 Lrm 9/5.3.24
Referred to the Director of Public Instruction for remarks in connection with memo No. 5289-1 Ltm, dated 26/2/24.
(B.O.)
for Gunachandra Menon
Assistant Secretary

To Director of Public Instruction
with C.F. in orig. returned herewith

No. Rfm 9-CR 141/24

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Station Bellary., Dated the 29th February 192+.

From (Name) M.R.Ry. N. Narayana Rao Garu, B.A., B.L., F.M.U.,
(Designation) Chairman, Municipal Council.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Local Self Government Department.
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to Government Memo No. 5289-2 L & M., dated 26-2-24, I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of Council's Resolution No. 14 dated 5-2-1924.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant,

Narayana Rao
Chairman, M. C.
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EXTRACT FROM PROCEEDINGS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BELLARY.

Dated..[illegible]Feb.....192 4

Read.—

14. Permission to open Botany Section in the Municipal High School and sanotion to be obtained for entertaining a Botany assistant on RS:60-4-100 and a gardener on RS: 15-20 and another assistant gardener on RS:12/- per mensem. RS:250/- for furniture and four Microscopes of the value of RS: 40/- each.

Resolution:-

Carried by majority. Mr. Cotelingam is opposed to the introduction of Botany as one not suited to Bellary. Passed by majority - 2 being against.

(True Extract)

Municipal Councillors' Office,
Bellary, Dated 29th Feb. 1924.

T. Narayana Rau
Chairman, M.C.
29 2 24

To W.P. 3/24

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The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Local and Municipal, Fort St. George,
M a d r a s.

Through

The Director of Public Instruction,
M a d r a s.

Sirs,

We the citizens of Bellary welcome with thanks the idea of starting a Botanical section in the Local Municipal High School. The garden, near the Mainwaring Tank, is admirably suited to fulfil the entire requirements of ~~the new~~ section and it may be reclaimed from the private management under which it has been from a long time past and entirely shut out to public use, though maintained from Public Funds. The school has got enough accommodation for the new section.

We earnestly request that the new section may be started as early as possible to meet the long felt need of many students.

We beg to remain,
Sirs,
Your most obedient servants,

B e l l a r y,
Dated 5th March 1924.

1	D S Hanumantha Rao	Pleader	Bellary
2	P. Venkoba Charya	do	do
3	P. Raghava Acharya	do	do
4	S. Veera Bhadrappa Setty	Merchant	Bellary
5	K Srinivasa Achar	Pleader	do
6	N Sanjeeva Rao	do	do
7	T. Narasimhulu	Medical Practitioner	do

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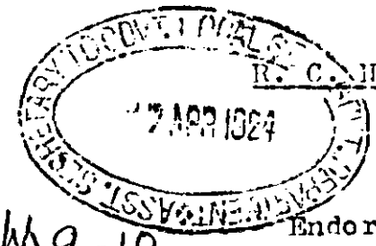
	K. Abdul Bazith	Municipal Councillor	Bellary

Enclosures:- 7



R. C. No. 220 B/24 M a d r a s Dated 14- 4- 24

Endorsement on letter Ref.on.G. C.No.141 dated 22--2--24 of the Chairman, Municipal Council, Bellary.

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Resubmitted to Government with reference to their memo No.5289-1 L and M dated 26- 2- 24.

2. In view of the fact that provision is made for 3 separate groupings of ' C' group subjects as detailed in the margin and that the Municipality is not prepared to meet any portion of the cost involved by the acceptance of their proposal and of the fact that no budget provision has been made in the year 1924- 25 for this proposal and that there are other more urgent claims on provincial funds for educational expenditure I am unable to support the proposal.

1. History and Vernacular
2. Physics and Algebra and Geometry
&3. Physics and Chemistry

3. The copy of the resolution of the council and the petition from the residents of the locality received with the Government Memo No.6049 1 L and M dated 5- 3- 24 are resubmitted. The counter petition received from the residents of Bellary is also enclosed.

for Director of Public Instruction

To

The Secretary to Government,

Local Self Government

Department, M a d r a s

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C. No. 5289, From the Chief Bellary Ref. on G.C. No. 141, dated 22.2.1924

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ORDER. (M.S.)

No. 1201, dated 9-5-1924

Ser. D/p today.
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The Government are not prepared to sanction the proposal of the Municipal Council to open a Botany section in the Municipal High school, Bellary.

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SECRETARY TO GOVT. EDUCATIONAL DEPT. MADRAS

To
The Chief Bellary (D.O.)
The D.P.I. (D.O.) ✓
The Law (Edn.) Dept. ✓

The Chairman has since asked (Private) for early orders

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Note the draft if approved may be sent to Law (Edn.) Dept. for acceptance.

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